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TO AMEMBASSY PARIS

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PASS USTS PARIS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR BIE FR

SUBJ: EXPOSITIONS IN US: USTS SUPPORT

ATTN: HYMAN/PLAISTED

1. DURING TRIP TO SPOKANE JULY 15-18, NELSON USTS BRIEFED EXPO 74 COMMISSIONER GENERAL CLAUDE BEKINS ON HIS DUTIES, PARTICULARLY AS THEY RELATE TO THE BIE. DURING DISCUSSION, BEKINS REQUESTED GUIDANCE RE HIS FINAL REPORT TO THE BIE. NELSON PROMISED TO PROVIDE SAME AND REQUEST YOU CONTACT CHALON FOR EXAMPLES (WRITTEN OR ORAL, I.E. TRANSCRIBED) OF RECENT PAST EXPO COMMISSIONER GENERAL REPORTS.

BEKINS WILL ATTEND DECEMBER 4 BIE PLENARY SESSION WITH ME AND WILL DELIVER ORAL REPORT ON SPOKANE THEN. QUESTION IS WILL THAT SUFFICE FOR BIE OR SHOULD COMPREHENSIVE WRITTEN DOCUMENT FOLLOW. ANY ADVICE ON PAST PRACTICE OR CORRECT PROCEDURE WILL BE HELPFUL.

2. PLEASE ADVISE CHALON THAT NELSON HAS CONTACTED PATRICK REID AND HE HAS CONSENTED TO DO AN ARTICLE FOR NEXT BULLETIN ON ROLE OF COLLEGE OF COMMISSIONERS GENERAL. NO NEED FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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CHALON TO WRITE SEPARATELY UNLESS HE WISHES TO CONFIRM THIS.

3. WE HAVE RECEIVED A SERIOUS PROPOSAL FROM LOS ANGELES FOR AN EXPOSITION IN 1980. ORGANIZERS WOULD PREFER UNIVERSAL FIRST CATEGORY BUT WILL SETTLE FOR A UNIVERSAL SECOND CATEGORY OR PERHAPS SPECIAL EXPOSITION. NATURE OF PLANNING AND BIE APPROACH DEPENDS ON COMMITMENTS TO OTHER EXPOSITIONS. NELSON HAS FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

- A. OKINAWA - 1975 SPECIAL
- B. BRUSSELS - 1978 SPECIAL
- C. BARCELONA - 1982 UNIVERSAL
- D. AUSTRALIA - 1987 UNIVERSAL

PLEASE CHECK CHALON AND GET A READING ON WHETHER BRUSSELS IS - IN FACT - REGISTERED AS WELL AS THE SITUATION RE BARCELONA'S POSSIBLE DEMISE. GET HIS REACTION TO THIS PROPOSED PROJECT IN THE U.S. AND HIS JUDGMENT AS TO WHEN THE NEW PROTOCOL WILL BE IN EFFECT. IT IS DIFFICULT TO COUNSEL PROSPECTIVE ORGANIZERS WITHOUT KNOWING WHETHER THE OLD OR NEW PROTOCOL REQUIREMENTS WILL PERTAIN. WE REALIZE THIS MAY BE DIFFICULT, BUT ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN OBTAIN WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. KISSINGER

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